

§ 102.4 Administrative termination (2 U.S.C. 433(d)(2)).

(a) The Commission, on its own initiative or upon the request of the political committee itself, may administratively terminate a political committee's reporting obligation on the basis of the following factors:

(1) The committee's aggregate reported financial activity in one year is less than \$5000;

(2) The committee's reports disclose no receipt of contributions for the previous year;

(3) The committee's last report disclosed minimal expenditures;

(4) The committee's primary purpose for filing its reports has been to disclose outstanding debts and obligations;

(5) The committee has failed to file reports for the previous year;

(6) The committee's last report disclosed that the committee's outstanding debts and obligations do not appear to present a possible violation of the prohibitions and limitations of 11 CFR parts 110 and 114;

(7) The committee's last report disclosed that the Committee does not have substantial outstanding accounts receivable;

(8) The committee's outstanding debts and obligations exceed the total of the committee's reported cash on hand balance.

(b) The Commission shall send a notification to the committee treasurer of its intent to administratively terminate that committee and may request the treasurer to submit information with regard to the factors set forth at 11 CFR 102.4(a). The treasurer shall respond, in writing, within 30 days of receipt of the Commission's notice or request and if the committee objects to such termination, the committee's response shall so state.

(c) The Commission shall administratively terminate a committee if such committee fails to object to the Commission's action under 11 CFR 102.4(b) and the Commission determines that either:

(1) The committee has complied with the debt settlement procedures set forth at 11 CFR part 116.

(2) The Commission has approved the forgiveness of any loan(s) owed the

committee which would have otherwise been considered a contribution under the Act in violation of 11 CFR part 110;

(3) It does not appear from evidence available that a contribution in violation of 11 CFR parts 110 and 114 will result.

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§ 102.5 Organizations financing political activity in connection with Federal and non-Federal elections, other than through transfers and joint fundraisers.

(a) Organizations that are political committees under the Act

(1) Each organization, including a party committee, which finances political activity in connection with both federal and non-federal elections and which qualifies as a political committee under 11 CFR 100.5 shall either:

(i) Establish a separate federal account in a depository in accordance with 11 CFR part 103. Such account shall be treated as a separate federal political committee which shall comply with the requirements of the Act including the registration and reporting requirements of 11 CFR parts 102 and 104. Only funds subject to the prohibitions and limitations of the Act shall be deposited in such separate federal account. All disbursements, contributions, expenditures and transfers by the committee in connection with any federal election shall be made from its federal account. No transfers may be made to such federal account from any other account(s) maintained by such organization for the purpose of financing activity in connection with non-federal elections, except as provided in 11 CFR 106.5(g) and 106.6(e). Administrative expenses shall be allocated pursuant to 11 CFR part 106 between such federal account and any other account maintained by such committee for the purpose of financing activity in connection with non-federal elections; or

(ii) Establish a political committee which shall receive only contributions subject to the prohibitions and limitations of the Act, regardless of whether such contributions are for use in connection with federal or non-federal

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elections. Such organization shall register as a political committee and comply with the requirements of the Act.

(2) Only contributions meeting the conditions set forth at subsections (i), (ii), and (iii) of this section may be deposited in a federal account established under 11 CFR 102.5(a)(1)(i) or may be received by a political committee established under 11 CFR 102.5(a)(1)(ii).

(i) Contributions designated for the federal account;

(ii) Contributions that result from a solicitation which expressly states that the contribution will be used in connection with a federal election; and

(iii) Contributions from contributors who are informed that all contributions are subject to the prohibitions and limitations of the Act.

(3) Any party committee solicitation that makes reference to a federal candidate or a federal election shall be presumed to be for the purpose of influencing a federal election, and contributions resulting from that solicitation shall be subject to the prohibitions and limitations of the Act. This presumption may be rebutted by demonstrating to the Commission that the funds were solicited with express notice that they would not be used for federal election purposes.

(b) Organizations that are not political committees under the Act

(1) Any organization that makes contributions or expenditures but does not qualify as a political committee under 11 CFR 100.5 and any State or local party organization that makes contributions, expenditures and exempted payments under 11 CFR 100.7(b)(9), (15) and (17) and 100.8(b)(10), (16) and (18) shall either:

(i) Establish a separate account to which only funds subject to the prohibitions and limitations of the Act shall be deposited and from which contributions, expenditures and exempted payments shall be made. Such organization shall keep records of deposits to and disbursements from such account and, upon request, shall make such records available for examination by the Commission.

(ii) Demonstrate through a reasonable accounting method that whenever such organization makes a contribution, expenditure or exempted pay-

ment, that organization has received sufficient funds subject to the limitations and prohibitions of the Act to make such contribution, expenditure or payment. Such organization shall keep records of amounts received or expended under this subsection and, upon request, shall make such records available for examination by the Commission.

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§ 102.6 Transfers of funds; collecting agents.

(a) *Transfers of funds; registration and reporting required*—(1) *Who may make transfers under this section.* (i) Transfers of funds may be made without limit on amount between affiliated committees whether or not they are political committees under 11 CFR 100.5.

(ii) Transfers of funds may be made without limit on amount between or among a national party committee, a State party committee and/or any subordinate party committee whether or not they are political committees under 11 CFR 100.5 and whether or not such committees are affiliated.

(iii) Transfers of joint fundraising proceeds may be made without limit on amount between organizations or committees participating in the joint fundraising activity provided that no participating committee or organization governed by 11 CFR 102.17 received more than its allocated share of the funds raised.

(iv) Transfers under paragraphs (a)(1)(i) through (iii) shall be made only from funds which are permissible under the Act. See 11 CFR parts 110, 114 and 115.

(2) *When registration and reporting required.* Except as provided in 11 CFR 102.6(b), organizations or committees making transfers under 11 CFR 102.6(a)(1) shall count such transfers against the reporting thresholds of the Act for determining whether an organization or committee is a political committee under 11 CFR 100.5.

(b) *Fundraising by collecting agents; No reporting required*—(1) *Definition of collecting agent.* A collecting agent is an organization or committee that collects and transmits contributions to